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Press Release-Unlawful Restraint

On September 19, 2020, at approximately 0437 hours, the Winooski Police Department received a phone call advising that a male was holding a young child hostage in a residence. The caller stated a firearm was present at the scene and was fearful for the child's wellbeing.

Phone contact was eventually established with the suspect who agreed to exit the house with the child. Once outside the home, the suspect was placed into custody, the child was unharmed.

The suspect, 26 year-old Jordan Atwood of Winooski, was charged with First Degree Unlawful Restraint, First Degree Aggravated Domestic Assault, Violation of Conditions of Release and Offense in the Presence of a Child.

Atwood has been charged with several firearm related offenses, most recently on August 31, 2020, by the Burlington Police Department for possessing a firearm which was a violation of his conditions of release.

Atwood was held without bail and was lodged at the Northwest State Correctional Facility.

The Winooski Police Department would like to thank the Colchester Police Department, South Burlington Police Department, Essex Police Department, Shelburne Police Department, University of Vermont Police Services and the Vermont State Police for their assistance during this incident.

Lt. Charkalis

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